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COACH'S CORNER . . . by Cliff Kibbe

The coaching staff felt that Chicopee would be the class of the league. We had hoped that, if the spirit and desire were there that victory would be ours. The spirit was there, but the Pacers proved why they were AA champs last year. They seemed even stronger this year with 15 starters back from last year.

Our ball club played them nearly even in the first half but it takes two halves to win the ball game.

Probably the key to their vic-



DON PROGULSKE
Quarterback



CHIP SHEARER
Guard

tory was our inability to mount any ground game and to contain their Ron Kerriga who is one great football player. This must be straightened out if we are to have a successful season. The game also proved costly to us as we lost for at least two weeks, line backer Dave Quintal with several bruised ribs.

Our pass rush needs more work, plus our punt protection and punt coverage was poor at times. We did not cover kick-offs with authority. All these things add up and only hard work and dedication can alle-

Frank Santinello looks like he will be a good one. He punted all afternoon and did a fine job. We must now put Chicopee out of our minds and get ready for Greenfield. They lost their opener to Holyoke, so they must put it all back together as we must. This week will show who can bounce back with their heads up. We hope and will try for number one up there. The back of the week was quarterback Don Progulske. Chip Shearer edged out Don Young for his two way performance to make linemen of the week.

Now We Understand

I would like at the outset to congratulate and thank in behalf of the Town's Administration, every individual involved on the combined Municipal-School Building Committee. There are too few of us who would do as thorough and enthusiastic a job as they did. There are many who, faced with the obstacles which they faced, would have "thrown in the sponge" long ago.

Every town is confronted with major problems. This is normal and we must accept them. No sooner do we solve one, we become encumbered with another. The involvements of the School and Municipal Building Housing is especially profound. I trust that our readers will be thoughtful and even critical of that which I present and that this presentation will help each of you to better understand my interpretation and eventual solution. Large sums of money are involved as well as the social, political, and educational status of a generation.

I, for one, have deep concern

and as an administrator in a democracy I have remained absolutely neutral. I have done this so that any committee, some containing members whom I have helped to choose, would in no way be persuaded by Administration. This was the only fair thing to do and I can report that on no occasion have I attempted to direct an opinion to any member of my committee.

The time has come to take a (Please Turn To Page 7)

Local K. of C. To Be Trestle Board Guests

Mr. David Skolnick, president of the Agawam Trestle Board Club has announced the John F. Kennedy Council #5585, Knights of Columbus, will be the guests of the Trestle Board Club at its regular dinner meeting on Oct. 16th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall of the Agawam Congregational Church.

This is the first time these two fraternal organizations are meeting together in Agawam in a large turn-out is anticipated.

Rabbi Naphtali J. Rubinger, Congregation B'Nai Jacob, Longmeadow, will address the gathering on the subject "The True Meaning of Brotherhood."

Mrs. Toussaint of the Ladies' Guild of the church is planning a chicken pie supper with all the trimmings. Members of both organizations are urged to make their reservations early with their respective unit heads to insure that sufficient food will be prepared for all who plan to attend.

J.F.K. Council Meeting Tonight

The President Kennedy Council No. 5585 Knights of Columbus will meet tonight at 8 in the Council home on South St., Agawam.

Bouchard Begins Junior Year At USAF Academy

U. S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — Cadet Daniel F. Bouchard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Bouchard, 42 Mountain View St., Agawam, is among the 740 cadets who have entered their junior year at the U. S. Air Force Academy.

As he began his third year at the Academy, Cadet Bouchard was named to the Superintendent's List for his outstanding achievement in both academics and military performance. He will be granted special privileges and wear a silver star and wreath insignia recognizing the honor accorded him by the Academy superintendent.

Cadet Bouchard will serve during the fall term as a flight sergeant with the rank of cadet



CADET DANIEL BOUCHARD
master sergeant. He was selected for the position because of his demonstrated leadership abilities and effectiveness ratings.

During the past summer, the cadet served as an instructor in a rigorous basic training course for members of the Academy's incoming freshman class. The training prepares basic cadets for entry into the cadet wing.

He also completed three weeks of special duty at Charleston AFB, S. C., in Operation "Third Lieutenant," a program which (Please Turn To Page 2)

Jr. Miss Club Car Wash Project Sunday

The Agawam Junior Women's Club newly formed youth group, The J.M.C.'s (Junior Miss Club) will hold a car wash at the Zayre parking lot on Springfield St., in Agawam, in Sunday, Oct. 5 from 11 a.m. through 3 p.m.

This will be the first project for the teenagers who have planned a very active schedule for their novice year. The funds raised from the car wash will finance the first of their charitable works which will be for patients in the Munson Hospital.

The J.M.C.'s under the direction of Mrs. Clyde A. Spaeth, will continue to be active throughout the coming year in various community projects.

Victor H. Brinn To Run For Planning Board Post

Victor H. Brinn, 379 River Rd., Agawam, announced today that he will seek approval of Agawam voters to fill the opening as member of Planning Board.

A former Town Meeting Member, Mr. Brinn for many years

Peirce PTA Set "Learn In" Oct. 8

The Parent Teachers Association meeting will be conducted on Wednesday evening at 7:45 with an introduction of faculty and a special salute to new parents.

School Nurse, Mrs. Joseph L. Pisano and Helping Teacher, Mrs. Donald V. Powell will deliver a briefing in their respective field. Parents and teachers will adjourn to the classrooms for a "Learn In."

Social hour with refreshments will be held after "classes are dismissed."

Executive committee for the Year 1969-1970 are:

Advisor, Mrs. David Skolnick, principal; President, Mrs. Frank Labun; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Philip Vecchiarelli; 2nd Vice- (Please Turn To Page 2)

Twins Mothers' Club Tag Sale Oct. 4-5

The Hampden County Mothers of Twins Club will hold a tag sale on the 4th and 5th of October between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Antiques, household goods, children's clothing and furnishings are among the items that will be for sale at 231 North Westfield St., Feeding Hills.

The proceeds of the tag sale will be used to purchase Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for needy families in the area and for the club's Scholarship fund. Mrs. Theodore Yargeau of Springfield and Mrs. Robert Hawley of South Hadley are chairmen of this event. The public is invited to attend.

South School PTA Meet Wednesday

South School Parent Teacher Association "Where Children Come First" has planned a program of merit for the year 1969-1970 and will hold their first meeting Wednesday evening, Oct. 8th in the school cafeteria.

They extend an invitation to all parents to attend and "Get Involved." P.T.A. is an efficient way to join in and solve today's many and vital problems concerning our children.

Both parents and teachers at this meeting "Get Acquainted." Harold Burnett, president, will conduct the business meeting. Second grade mothers are hostesses.

has been active as a financial and construction consultant, real estate developer and broker, appraiser, notary public and property manager.

In addition he has served with or been a member of Springfield Real Estate Board, Greater Springfield Home Builder and National Home Builders Association, Sales Manager for K.V. Homes, Inc., Sales Manager for Ciolek Construction Co., Inc., General Manager for the late George Campbell.

He also served as Fee Appraiser for Federal Housing Administration. At present Mr. Brinn is Property Manager for Mulberry House and Gateway Village of Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Brinn have lived for 16 years in Agawam with their three children, another son, Richard, is married and lives in Wilbraham.

Agawam Women's Club Style Show & Card Party Oct. 7

Agawam Women's Club will present a Style Show and Card Party, Tuesday, Oct. 7, at 7:30 in Agawam Congregational Church Hall. Fashions by Edna Beger will be featured with commentary by television personality Kitty Broman.

The event, sponsored by the club's Service Committees, will include refreshments and door prizes. Proceeds will benefit the annual scholarship fund.

Tickets may be obtained from the following committee members: Mrs. Ernest Bouley, Chairman; Mrs. Claude Ouellette, Mrs. Charles Mortenson, Mrs. Mary Knapik or at the door.

Community Grange Program Tuesday

Community Grange will begin its fall program on Tuesday evening, Oct. 7th at 8 o'clock in the Grange home on North West St., Feeding Hills. The newly installed officers will assume their duties for the Grange year beginning in October.

During the lecturer's hour Miss Lillian McDonald, master, will present a ritualistic program. This is for the instruction and information of both officers and members.

Lecturer Elise Bradway will give a report on the New England Grange's Lecturer's Conference held at the University of Massachusetts to which she was a delegate from the local Grange.

A social hour with refreshments will follow the close of the meeting.

OPEN HOUSE - COFFEE HOUR FOR FASSNACHT

An open house - coffee hour for Robert A. Fassnacht, candidate for school committee, will be held Wednesday, Oct. 8th, at 8 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Thomas Smethurst, 26 Pineview Cir. (off Adams St.), Agawam.

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CHURCH NEWS

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Mrs. Richard Fearn, Organist
Miss Donna Ashton, Organist
Mrs. Marshall Keyes, Sanctuary Choir Director
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander, Jr. Youth Choir Director

Sunday—9:30 a.m. Service of worship. Nursery for infants. Church School through Senior High; 10:30—Coffee hour in Fellowship Hall; 6:30 p.m.—Junior and Senior Youth Fellowship.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor
Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist
Mrs. Nancy Lund, Choir Director
Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church Secretary

Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church.

Friday: 10 a.m. The American Baptist Women of Pioneer Valley meet at First Baptist Church in Northampton. Miss Elizabeth Walters, Director of the Murrow Indian Home will be the guest speaker.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP—Rev. Lockhart will preach the sermon... Choir will sing... Communion will be

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Monday: 8 p.m. Amicitia Circle meeting.

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Melody Choir rehearse at church.

Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post open.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister
Mrs. A. G. Toussaint, Minister of Music

Thursday—12 noon Ladies Aid Luncheon and business meeting.

Friday—7 p.m. Boy Scout meeting; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary choir rehearsal.

Saturday—8:45 a.m. Intermediate choir rehearsal; 9:30 Junior choir rehearsal.

Sunday—9:30 a.m. Church school, 5th thru 12th Grades; 10:30 a.m. Church at Worship, Rev. Bryan preaching and church school, nursery thru 4th Grade; 7 p.m. Senior United Church Youth Group meet.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.
Rev. Robert F. Berkey, Interim Minister
Randall L. Nofall, Organist
Cynthia A. Meyer, Choir Director
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SACRED HEART CHURCH

FEEDING HILLS
Rev. George Linse, C.S.S.
Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.

Saturday—4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Confessions.

Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30 a.m. Masses.

Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.
Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.

Saturday—4 to 5 p.m. and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. confessions.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays—7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Week days—7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Holy days—7 and 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard
MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass—7 a.m.

Saturday—8 a.m. Mass—4:30

and 7:30 Confessions.

Sunday—7, 9 and 11 a.m. Mass.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce
Rev. Albert Blanchard

Saturday—9 a.m. CCD classes for Grades 1-6 at the Junior High School.

Saturday—Confessions 4 to 5:45 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30, 11:45 a.m.

Monday—7 p.m., CCD classes for Grades 7-12.

Tuesday—5:30 p.m., Mass followed by Miraculous Medal Novena.

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Mrs. Richard Orr, Church Secretary

Thursday—8 p.m. Meeting of Board of Trustees at the home of Chairman Richard Orr.

Sunday—10 a.m. Morning Worship with Sermon: "The Book of the Covenant." World Wide Communion Sunday. Sunday School meets in Community Hall.

Monday—8 p.m. First Fall meeting of the Men's Club and the Friendly Circle. Everyone cordially invited to attend.

Wednesday—8 p.m. Church Council meeting.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Larry Thornton, Pastor

Sunday—11 a.m. Morning worship service. Supervised nursery service available upstairs in the church during morning service; 7 p.m. Evening Service.

WEST SPRINGFIELD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Dwight Mowrer, Minister

The West Springfield Church of Christ is meeting at the Storrown Village Church Building on the Eastern States Exposition grounds. Service held as follows:

Thursday—7 p.m., Bible study classes for all ages.

Sunday—9 a.m., Bible classes for all ages; 10 a.m., Worship services; 6 p.m., Evening service.

Pierce PTA . . .

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President, William E. Carruth; Recording Secretary, Mrs. James Martinelli; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Gordon R. Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. Richard H. Abey; Membership Chairmen, Mrs. Gerald J. Mason and Mrs. David G. Kunasek; Program, Mrs. Warren S. Freedman; Hospitality, Mrs. Daniel Stachowicz; Refreshments, Mrs. John W. Kunasek; Room Mothers, Mrs. Lawrence G. Paro; Ways and Means, Mrs. Richard A. Potito and Mrs. Donald C. Capponecchi; Publicity, Vincent Valentine.

Bouchard . . .

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gives cadets a first hand look at Air Force operations and provides them an opportunity to perform as junior officers.

Cadet Bouchard will be commissioned a second lieutenant and awarded a B. S. degree upon graduation from the Academy.

He is a 1967 graduate of Cathedral High School in Springfield, Mass.

Show me a man whose feet are firmly planted in solid ground, and I'll show you a man about to try a difficult putt.

News Of Servicemen

E. 3/C PREISSLER WITH NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BN.

VIETNAM (FHTNC) — Construction Electrician Third Class Carl W. Preissler, USN, son of Mrs. Harold Hubbard of 352 Suffield St., Agawam, Mass., is serving with U. S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion One in Vietnam.

He is engaged in combat construction in support of allied forces in the Northern I Corps Tactical Zone. Although small detachments of men are working on projects as far south as the Delta, the main body of the battalion is located at Camp Campbell, Phu Bai, about 40 miles south of the DMZ.

GARRISON ABOARD USS LONG BEACH

USS LONG BEACH (FHTNC) — Interior Communications Electrician Second Class Donnie Garrison, USN, son of Mrs. Clara Garrison, and husband of the former Miss Coral S. Bissonette, is serving aboard the USS Long Beach in the Western Pacific.

The ship, a nuclear powered missile cruiser, is serving with the U. S. Seventh Fleet. It will serve as an air traffic controller off the coast of Vietnam.

As a floating control tower, the Long Beach will be responsible for air traffic control of U. S. strike aircraft flying from Seventh Fleet aircraft carriers.

The ship is home ported in Long Beach, Calif.

Sgt. SCHLAGEL RECEIVES AIR MEDAL

PLEIKU, VIETNAM (AHTNC) — Army Sergeant Mark J. Schlagel, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Schlagel, 490 N. Westfield St., Feeding Hills, received the Air Medal near Pleiku Vietnam, Aug. 13.

Sgt. Schlagel earned the award for meritorious service while participating in aerial flight in support of ground operations in Vietnam.

He is a platoon sergeant in Company D, 1st Battalion, 35th Infantry, 4th Infantry Division.

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PFC. CLIFFORD JONES, JR. SERVING IN VIETNAM

VIETNAM (FHTNC) — Marine Private First Class Clifford E. Jones, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Jones of 20 Franklin St., Feeding Hills, Agawam, and husband of Mrs. Carol A. Jones of Feeding Hills Road, Southwick, is serving with the Third Battalion, First Regiment First Marine Division in Vietnam.

When not engaged in major operations, Marines of the battalion participate in company and platoon size sweeps through the battalion's area of responsibility in search of enemy infiltrators.

They also conduct civic action programs designed to aid the South Vietnamese people.

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No. 1935

**THANKS IS ALL**

Agawam Lodge #1935 was host to the members of the Mohawk Legion #198, Sunday, Sept. 28th. Gov. Dumond wishes to thank all the members, their wives and friends for making this affair such a success. The Mohawk Legion includes all the Moose Lodges in Western Mass. and the Legion is the 2nd degree of the Moose, known as the degree of Servs. Members were present from Keene, N.H., Greenfield, Westfield, Chicopee Falls and Northampton.

Sixteen new members were enrolled in the higher degree with the ritual by Mohawk Ritual Staff under the direction of Past North Moose Harold M. Lacy of Greenfield Lodge #997.

The Ladies of Agawam Lodge served a smorgasbord to more than 250 Legionnaires and their ladies followed by dancing and a professional seven-act floor show. The next meeting of this group

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PENNSYLVANIA—JAMES J. DAVIS MEMORIAL BLDG. Visitors to Mooseheart, the famed home and school for children of deceased members owned and operated by the Loyal Order of Moose near Aurora, Ill., are often surprised to see a modern brick building which resembles Independence Hall in Philadelphia.

The building is the Pennsylvania — James J. Davis Memorial Building and it is patterned after Independence Hall. It was erected as a memorial to the late United States Senator James J. Davis of Pennsylvania, founder of Mooseheart.

The cost of the building was borne by the lodges, chapters, legions and individual members of the Moose in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

On hand to officially dedicate the building at the opening of the 70th international Moose convention on Aug. 17th, were the late David Lawrence, former Gov. of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and a member of the Moose Foundation Board, and J. Jack Stoehr, PDG and Regional Director, now retired.

The building provides living quarters for 24 boys of high school age. In addition, the archives of the Loyal Order of Moose

will be at Northampton Lodge #614 Sunday, Nov. 16th. Winner of the "Wheelbarrow of Goodies" was Joseph Rigali, a Pilgrim Brother.

DON'T FORGET

Don't forget our Friday and Saturday nights at the Lodge on Bridge St. Cook Perry enjoys the hustle and bustle in the kitchen and we love the crowd that enjoys good food . . . Save your wives on Friday nights — take her and the family to eat at the Lodge.

Don't forget — AUCTION — on Saturday the 4th, from 1-5 p.m. Chairman Wilfred H. Bissontette tells us we'll have many articles to bid for (refer to our ad). BE early so you won't be disappointed. Come up and enjoy a good old-fashioned auction with a marvelous auctioneer, John Shibley.

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are located in a large room in the basement.

A kitchen, dining area and huge L-shaped living room are located on the first floor. Eight bedrooms and lavatory are on the second floor. Three boys sleep in each bedroom and each youth has his own bed, night stand and wardrobe which furnishes hanger, drawer and storage space. A large recreation room is in the basement.

Visitors to the building are greeted by a portrait of the late Senator Davis hanging in the foyer. The portrait was painted while he was seated at the desk he used as Secretary of Labor

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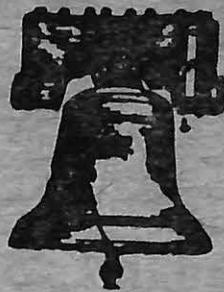
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SOCIAL SECURITY Questions and Answers

Q: I had a severe heart attack last year and am unable to work. I never worked under Social Security. I am 48 years of age. Can I qualify for benefits now on my husband's account, he died in June 1965?

A: No, but current regulations provide benefits for disabled widows when they reach age 50. You should file for benefits a few months before you reach age 50.

Q: I have been a widow since September 1958. We had no children. I had a severe heart attack in 1967 and have been unable to work since then. Is there any benefits for me as a disabled widow?

A: No. Benefits for disabled widows are payable only if the widow became totally disabled within 7 years of her husband's death.

Q: My husband died in 1965. I have no children. I am 58 years of age. When can I qualify for benefits?

A: You may qualify for reduced benefits at age 60. However, you can qualify immediately if you are now totally disabled.

Q: I have just moved to a new address. How should I report this to the social security people?

A: You should either telephone, write directly to, or visit your local social security office. You can even use the back of social security check envelope to make this report.

Q: What are the changes that

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I should report to the local social security office?

A: It's quite a long list including your change of address, stopping or starting work, improvement recovery from a disabling condition, marriage, remarriage, divorce, death of a beneficiary, etc. The best rule is to report any and every change in your status to the social security people.

Q: We previously reported events affecting our receipt of checks to the central office. Now you tell us to contact our local social security office. Why the change?

A: The local social security office is now equipped to rapidly send your change via its new high speed transmission circuits to the central office. This means a saving of time over the older method.

Q: When I report a change of status, need I furnish the social security office the number of the account on which my benefits are being paid?

A: Yes, if you visit the office, be sure to take the number with you. If you write or telephone the office, be sure that you state the claim number correctly. Accuracy is very important in reporting changes affecting your status.

Q: My father is getting social security monthly benefits since he's had a stroke. He is neither physically nor mentally capable of handling his benefits. Should I notify the social security people of this fact?

A: Yes, you are required to notify the social security people and arrangements will be made to name a representative payee for your father.

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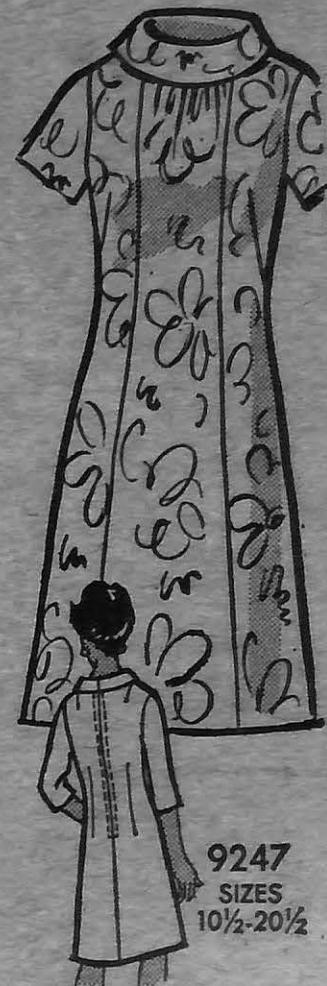
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When verbal bombast is used by a former official who is not now the incumbent in office to impress the voting public with what he claims he will accomplish, the question naturally arises as to why he failed to accomplish these objectives during his first and only tour of office. Was it because the voting public of the town of Agawam became aware of his gross deficiencies in performance which resulted in removal from office by over 1000 votes?

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function of local government. Its use is solely intended as a method of obtaining revenue to pay the cost of government. By cost of government I mean legitimate expenses incurred by the Town of Agawam after careful thought and consideration by the elected officials responsible for making sure that you, the town members, receive a full dollar's value for every dollar spent.

Taxes are necessary in order to have government and every sensible responsible member of society realizes this necessity. However, when the people who have been elected to positions of trust neglect to scrupulously investigate the true value to be received by the town members for every penny of tax money spent, then an ever increasing burden is placed on the taxpayer, which I believe is today reaching crushing proportions.

Therefore, in the interests of real economy, that is, getting true value for your hard earned tax money, I believe that it is a must for the Town of Agawam to elect public officials who are not motivated by desires for status or making personal business connections, but officials whose only motivation is truly the fundamental welfare of the voters. Consequently, I respectfully request you to vote for B. Edward Dahdah, a candidate who will always work in the best interests of the Town of Agawam."

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Round The Town



By Ann Nael
phone ST 8-8996

The Auxiliary of the Italian Sporting Club will hold their annual Harvest smorgasbord Saturday night, the 4th, at the Italian Sporting Club on Cooper St., Agawam. Servings will be from 6 to 8 and dancing to follow.

Chairman of the affair is Mrs. Bertha Moccio. Tickets are \$2.25 for adults and children \$1.50 and may be obtained from Mrs. E. Pajer, at the door or from club members.

Laurie Ryer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ryer of 140 Walnut St., became a member of the Young People's Symphony after a successful audition. Laurie studies the violin with Mrs. Lily Ernst.

The Ladies Aid of the Agawam Congregational Church will hold its annual Gentleman's Night on Thursday evening, Oct. 9th at 8 in the parish hall of the church. Mr. and Mrs. Charles DuBois Hodges will show slides of their recent trip to Hawaii.

The Colonial Haven Social Club of 886 Main St., Agawam,

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will celebrate its third anniversary with a dinner at 12:30 p.m., at the Hillbrook House, Westfield, Mass. on Oct. 15.

The tickets are \$1.25 for paid up members, \$2.25 for others and outsiders. Mrs. Hamel, the treasurer, will be at the recreation building from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 6, to sell tickets and make arrangements for transportation. All money and reservations must be in at this time.

Agawam Golden Age Club Schedule

Oct. 8—1:30 p.m. Meeting and Raffle.

Oct. 22—1:30 p.m. Meeting and Entertainment.

Nov. 12—12 noon. Anniversary Dinner.

Nov. 24—1:30 p.m. Meeting and Entertainment.

Dec. 16—1:30 p.m. Meeting

and Christmas Tables.
Dec. 17—6 p.m. Christmas Party—St. Ann's Country Club.
Dec. 24—Meeting Cancelled.

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SPORTSMEN'S CORNER

By BILL CHIBA

The deer herd in Vermont survived the previous harsh winter. The bowhunter who gets the first crack at the whitetail in Vermont should have a great year. However, from personal observation, I venture to predict that the bowman will have to look further than in the fields this season if he is to be successful. The reason for this prediction is food! There is plenty. The apple crop is tremendous, acorns in abundance and the beechnut mast crop is the heaviest in years. I have spent the last two weekends in the green mountain state and most of the time in the woods. The deer are to be found in the interior. I have only seen three deer in the fields in four days of observation. Yet, I have flushed many deer in the hard woods and tree surrounded orchards.

Again this year as in the past, Margaret and Moe Eaton, owners of Elmwood Farm in Fairlee, Vermont, will be host to a farm full of bowhunters opening weekend, which commences at 7 a.m. Oct. 11th. Some of the fellows were up to the farm when I was there and they too were reading signs, preparing themselves for the coming season. The most distressing sight is the increasing amount of posted land I encountered in my wanderings. The mine section of West Fairlee, which has been a good bet for the bowhunter in the past, is posted up tight this year. If you are planning to take in this particular location forget it. You will have to look elsewhere.

Moments later the farmer heard screams from behind the barn. The inspector was being chased by the bull. Leaning over the fence as the madly-running inspector drew near, the farmer cried, "Show him your card, mister, show him your card!"

A stranger approached a farmer, produced his card and remarked, "I am a government inspector and I am entitled to inspect your farm."

More and more landowners are posting their land and taking in hunters at their farms. For the cost of the board and rent (which is running from \$12 to \$20 per

day) the hunter has his own private hunting preserve to roam. It isn't such a bad idea, both for the landowner and the hunter.

A LOCAL WOODS OPERATOR in Kingfield, Maine, was driving up a road in Freeman Township when he came upon two black bears fighting. He stopped and watched for three or four minutes until they saw him and ran off into the woods. When the driver got to the scene, he found a male cub bear dead in the ditch. Apparently the male bear had killed the cub, and its mother was trying to protect her young.

In New Hampshire comes a report of an oddity. Game Biologist, Harold Nevers, of the F&G Dept. tells of an unusual experience he had last Wednesday at midday. He was checking beaver in a pond in Lee, N.H. The pond was very quiet — no activity there. Suddenly a beaver splashed in the water. It swam up to within a few feet from him. Flip spotted ear tags that he had placed in that beaver's ears several years before when he was a student at the University of New Hampshire, making a study of beaver for the University which was doing research work under contract for the F&G at that time.

During Colonial Days, the state of Vermont was a haven for wild turkeys. Yet, deer were unheard of. The deer had to be imported into the state. Now the opposite prevails. Deer are overrunning the state, and the wild turkey is being re-introduced into the state by the F&G in hopes of starting a flock that will take hold and provide the hunter with a new game bird to outfox.

So far, four different broods of young turkeys have been established. Commissioner Kehoe is very optimistic about the project and hopes to see the day when he can set a season for hunting wild turkeys.

Individuals nearing their 65th birthday, who are not now receiving Social Security or Railroad Retirement monthly benefits, should contact their local Social Security office, and file their claim for Medicare, during the 3 month period before they become 65, according to Mr. Murphy of the Social Security District Office.

Mr. Murphy stressed the fact that a person's work status has no effect on his entitlement to Medicare.

If a person files his claim during the 3 months before the month he becomes 65, he obtains full coverage at the earliest possible date. Failure to file before

The Sportsman's Corner

by Clark Webster, Remington Wild Life Expert

FIELD ETIQUETTE

CERTAIN BASIC SAFETY RULES ARE A MUST ANY TIME YOU HANDLE A GUN, BUT COURTESY IS IMPORTANT ALSO...ESPECIALLY WHEN HUNTING WITH TWO OR MORE PEOPLE. HERE ARE SOME TIPS FROM REMINGTON ARMS ON PROPER FIELD ETIQUETTE:

**HIDDEN HOT SPOT FISHING**

Some of the best fishing holes in the world are almost hidden by all the water around them.

Most anglers fishing the big man-made lakes miss these hot spots because they spend most of their time fishing above the dam which forms the reservoir, while the best fishing is often not in the lake, but below it.

For there, in the deep pool at the foot of the dam, is where large numbers of fish tend to concentrate. The fishing authorities at Mercury outboards say that this is especially true of hydro-electric power dams. When the generating turbines are operating, the discharge of fresh water from the lake into the river below will cause fish to move upstream, coming right to the dam.

When the turbines are operating, the discharged water sets up odd currents and fish will move with these feeding on insects, crayfish and crippled fish which have come through the turbines.

Visiting anglers may have a difficult time trying to judge when these good fishing times occur, so there are a few things to keep in mind if you want to try these hidden hot spots.

Electrical appliances are heavily used at certain times of the day, therefore generating plants are going to operate in accordance with the demand. On hot days, in areas where there are many homes with air conditioners, the power load is greatest during the hottest part of the day, and the turbines will be operating at their peak during early afternoon and on into the night.

Darkness also brings an increase in the demand for electricity, and night fishing below the power dams is often excellent.

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The Agawam Promenaders are



having their guest night and square dance party this Friday, 8 p.m. Oct. 3 at Robinson Park School on Begly St. That's a block from Sarat Ford, you know.

Not only will square dancers

bring their friends and neighbors to see what they've been talking about, but the guests will join hands to circle up for a few simple dances of their own.

Al Bessette of Walnut St. will be explaining the dances and running the party. In addition to being the Promenaders club caller Al has been busy making guest appearances at other clubs and conducting classes in Ludlow.

Actually anyone interested may attend without charge and Elmer and June Roosa will be serving up the refreshments. Flat shoes and sportswear is the recommended attire.

This is a busy time for the Promenaders who just Friday celebrated the 14th birthday of the club with a well attended pot luck supper and birthday party. And with his usual dexterity Dick Davis captured for

time improves efficiency. In the future, if necessary, add a new wing, at the rear, to the Adm. Bldg. House in it all office directly connected with planning and construction; I.E. D.P.W. "Planning Board, Board of Appeals," and a room for all committee meetings.

Replace the Feeding Hills Library with a new one-story building and use it as the central library. Build a moderately sized branch library in place of the No. 1 Fire Station in No. Agawam.

Ask the School Committee to continue to cooperate with the Parks & Playgrounds committee so that school buildings can be used intensively for recreational purposes during non-school hours. Our town cannot afford to supply recreational areas for school children and the community at large on separate sites.

In short, I cannot understand how or why we should invest another \$35,000 to try to solve a problem which I feel we basically solved when we purchased land in Feeding Hills and paid \$25,500 for architectural fees to develop.

Sincerely,
GEORGE L. REYNOLDS.



COLLEGE NEWS

RIPON, Wis. — Mark Laurance Andrews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Laurance Andrews, 629 Main St., Agawam, entered Ripon College this fall.

Mark is one of over 400 new students at Ripon, a traditionally coeducational, private college. Total enrollment this year topped 1,000 for the first time in the College's 118 year history.

Alan K. Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. B.W. Wright of 364 Suffield, St., Agawam, is a fullback on the U of Mass freshman soccer team. Their first game is against Tufts University on Oct. 11th.

VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The first card party in the new series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held last Wednesday evening in the Agawam National Guard Armory. Door prize winners were Florence Steere, Marion Damon, Helen

Now We Understand

(Continued From Page 1) stand. I do this without reluctance. Having listened to all the plans for solution and having weighed each carefully may we now discuss a solution. This solution must be predicated on several concepts. The prime concept is the fact that each of us, whoever he may be, is likely to become so deeply engrossed with his own plan and opinion that he cannot seem to understand the thoughts of another person, and becomes somewhat blinded. The basic concept of the overall problem is to supply an additional 900 school house seats for our students. This is an absolute first and no other comes close to it. Another concept is to attempt to relieve congestion in the Town Administration Building. Still another is to supply useful space for our libraries and recreational programs. To these we must add the concept that, in most cases, it is cheaper to add to a building than to convert it. It is cheaper to machine than to add building space and manpower. Then I could conclude with the concept that Agawam can afford to do only so much and that our voters will do what they must with courage.

So, briefly, I propose: Build the 900 seat school in Feeding Hills; Revise the plans so that it would not exceed four (4) million dollars. Do not build the swimming pool on this site. We have already invested \$62,500 on this tract and we can start to build on passage by the Town Meeting. Use space for offices, and at the same

the present Junior High School for the 6th and 7th Grades (768 pupils) put the 8th and 9th Grades in the new school (838 pupils) keep the 10-11-12 Grades in the present high school (1135 pupils) add a swimming pool to the present high school constructed so that it can be shut off from the high school and be used by the community when school is not in session.

Removing the 6th grade from the elementary schools allows kindergarten space and provides improved educational experiences for the sixth grade. The above class combinations provides better age grouping than any other plan. If and when the school population demand grows either add 300 seats at the Feeding Hills School or provide a new science wing at the high school.

Pertaining to the Town Adm. Bldg., remove the D.P.W. yard to Shea's Field, and build a moderately priced equipment shed. We were advised on Sept. 26, 1969 that the State Welfare Office in the Adm. Bldg. would likely be "phased out" in one year. If not, ask them to relocate elsewhere. At present they are our tenants. Move the Selectmen's office to these vacated quarters. Provide heat and dehumidification to the Town Hall Basement to provide added space for the Police Department. Provide micro-film service for all town records there by recouping space that has been gradually taken over by filing cabinets. It would appear to be cheaper to provide this facility than to build new space for offices, and at the same

My Beat — A.H.S.

By Joseph Della-Giustina, Jr.

This week the Agawam High School Guidance Dept., will be extremely busy with career conferences. These conferences enable students to speak to directors of admissions from various colleges, who discuss their college and the career opportunities of the college. During the week three directors of admissions will be visiting the high school. The only requirement for any students wishing to speak to one of these directors is to get a pass from Mr. Skolnick the day before the scheduled conference.

The schedule will be: Thursday, Oct. 2, at 8 a.m., Miss Martha Minnik, Director of Admis-

Nicks and Marie Boulrice.

Mystery prize winners were George Pierce, Alma Racette, Wm. Lucerino. Ace prize winner for the ladies was Frances Homola and Les Newcomb for the men.

The following received high score awards: Ladies—1st Eva Lyman, 2nd Mildred Cole, 3rd Belle Smith, 4th Maude McMahon; Men—1st Peter Lacemark, 2nd Les Newcomb, 3rd George Pierce, 4th Gaston Allard.

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V.F.W. Post 1632 Auxiliary Bulletin

By ANNA D. BISSONNETTE

We wish a "Happy Birthday" to Orville Burt, Commander of W.W.I. and founder of Post #1632 on Oct. 8th; Ozzie Inman on Oct. 11 and to Ed Strasko on Oct. 15th. We had already wished a "Happy Anniversary" to Tom and Katy Dickinson on Sept. 30, although they have been visiting Katy's brother, (Mr. Celetti) who is in the hospital. Cards would be nice...

1970 Dues are due — make checks payable to V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary #1632 and send to Anna Hayes, treasurer, 200 Adams St. Aga. 01001. Hurry, so we may help our membership chairman make her 100%.

President Katherine Dickinson announced a meeting of District #7 at the West Springfield Post #6714 on Oct. 5, at 2:30 p.m. Penny sale immediately following the meeting. Delegates, Alternates and all others who are interested PLEASE take notice!

Our guest, Margaret M. Murphy will be at the Oct. 21 meeting. Decorations and food will be under the supervision of Katy Dickinson, Venetta Snyder, Anna D. Bissonnette, Anna Hayes, Ellie Appleman, Emily Dias and Fran Link.

V.A. HOSPITAL

Any organization wishing to help or sponsor an affair at Leeds may do so by contacting Mr. Tully of Volunteer Service. Come up and meet Mr. Vincent E. Busone, Chief of Personnel Division and Mrs. Andrienne Terzizzi, speech pathologist, who recently joined the staff at the hospital. Visiting hours are from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. daily. If, for some reason it would be more convenient to come to the hospital at another time to see a patient, arrangements may be made by contacting the staff physician. Children must be at least 15. New parking area just completed at the rear of the chapel.

Keep your eyes on this column for the start of the Candy Sale, Katy Dickinson, chairman.

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The Junior Color Guard is a new addition to the High School marching band and consists of 16 girls with orange and brown flags. In the past, nine junior girls were selected each fall to serve as substitutes to the Senior Color Guard. This year the junior girls will be a part of all the band's marching activities as well.

Faculty judges selected the following juniors for color guard this year: Kirsten Holte, Valerie Bryan, Susan Brown, Patty McCormack, Patricia O'Rourke, Jeannie Wiley, Donna Quinn, Sharon Suffriti, Marie Beshaw, Nancy Carpenter, MaryAnn Klimaj, Cindy Fern and Nancy Andrews.

Majorette Captain Susan Afleck, along with majorettes Phyllis Swift and Donna Morassi will move into the operation of the new Junior Guard and assist in its training.

Also selected as junior guard alternates were: Cheryl Hale, Laurie Patton, Donna Labun and Robin Rennell.

The junior guard flags were made by Mrs. Darcy Davis with poles obtained and fashioned by Mr. Charles Heyl, from the school's industrial arts department. Mr. Louis Bale, also of the faculty has helped in the fashioning of a plume case for the newest addition to the band's uniforms.

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LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

By Mrs. Donald Catchespaugh

GIRLS' STATER TO SPEAK

On Oct. 6th, Paula Tatro will be Wilson-Thompson Unit #185 guest speaker on Girls' State, according to Unit Girls' State Chairman Gladys Catchespaugh. Invited guests include Girls' State Director Mary Wellman; Agawam High School Principal, Raymond Harris and Paula's parents Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tatro of Elbert Road. Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

UNIT NEWS

Chairman Mrs. Adah Blood continues to collect coupons for County Scholarships. Members may send their donations to Mrs. Blood or bring them to meetings . . . Dues for 1970 are now payable—the Unit would like as many in as possible by the date of Installation . . . Membership quota is 74.

A thank you has been received from the Director of Voluntary

Services at Leeds Hospital for the Unit's contribution to the summer picnic program.

Christmas Gift Shop Chairman Wilma Gillan has received money from the Unit to purchase gifts for that program.

Installation will be held on Friday, October 17th. Unit officers will wear cocktail dresses and poppy corsages.

COFFEE-BREAK SNACK

Pineapple Upside-Down Rolls are a tasty snack for a mid-morning coffee break. To make, place one teaspoon drained crushed pineapple, one teaspoon brown sugar, and one teaspoon butter in each of 12 muffin cups. Put 12 Brown 'n Serve rolls top down into mixture. Bake at 400 degrees F. for 12-15 minutes. Let stand in tins several minutes before removing from pan. Serve warm.

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